



Illinois-Eastern Iowa —  
**DCLC 2023**

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*caucus FAQs*

## **What is caucusing?**

Caucusing is a required event for all candidates and delegates, providing time for delegates to learn more about a certain candidates' platform and plans.

## **How does caucusing work?**

Candidates rotate through a set number of rooms, with time to give a speech, then time to answer questions. Candidates will rotate through the rooms with an optional Key Club member/support staff who can take notes and advise but may not participate in the caucus in any other way.

## **How long do candidates spend in each room?**

Candidates are allotted 5 minutes in each room. 2 minutes are dedicated to a speech and the remaining 3 are used exclusively for questions from present delegates. In total, caucusing has no set time, due to the variability on the number of candidates.

## **Who runs the caucus rooms?**

Caucusing rooms are facilitated by District Board members who ensure equal time for each candidate.

## **What is an example of an inappropriate question?**

Any question comparing candidates, questioning personal choices and attributes (gender, race, religion, sexuality), or any topic deemed rude or accusatory by the facilitating Board member will be thrown out.

## **What is an example of an appropriate question?**

What is your greatest leadership quality and how can it help you succeed in your role?

Why did you specifically choose this role to run for?

What goals do you have and how do you plan to execute them?

What is a leadership struggle you have encountered and how have you overcome it?

What is your favorite Key Club value and why?

Why did you decide to join Key Club?

What has been your most profound service experience thus far?

## **What is running off the floor?**

Candidates who run off the floor are nominated at Convention during the time allotted by the elections chair. These candidates have no disadvantage due to running off the floor, with the exception of their campaign literature not being published in the Convention Booklet and their campaign being created somewhat impromptu.

## **Who gets to vote/What is a delegate?**

All clubs present at Convention are allowed two delegates (club members or student leaders who will cast votes that represent the wants of the club at House of Delegates). These members must attend all caucus sessions and the House of Delegates on Saturday afternoon where the voting will take place.



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